

Whereas Jonathan Tucker, being confined in Goal for non payment of his Taxes, and as his Laying there will not pay them; it is proposed for the Town to choose such a Committee, as they may confide in, to consider of the premises and release said Tucker from Imprisonment on that account, Provided, he will, first empower them to take what estate can be found, Belonging to him into their custody, and pay & Discharge said Taxes if sufficiency can be found, for that Purpose; Provided, also that the said Tucker become bound, under the Penalty of being Recommitted to Prison, again at the Request the will and Pleasure of said Committee if he shall see any fraud, and Deceit in discovering to them the whole of his estate, to their satisfaction and after that he shall return to his Family and take prudent care of them under the like penalty, aforesaid.

And make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, unto the Town clerk, of said Town, on or before the time appointed for said meeting. Given under our hands and seals at Dartmouth, this third day of May A. D. 1786.

Ebenezer Willis }
 William Abney and } Selectmen
 Henry Smith } of
 Dartmouth.

Crisol ss: May 17th A. D. 1786.

By virtue of this Warrant, I have notified the Town of Dartmouth, to appear at the time and Place Within mentioned, by Posting up Notifications in the several Districts.

For me Daniel Howland
 Constable of Dartmouth.

At a Town meeting Legally held at the Town house in Dartmouth May Twenty eight day 1786.

William Davis Esq^r chosen Moderator for said Meeting, and after a full Enquiry into the foregoing Request Relating to Jonathan Tuckers Release from Prison, it was agreed it was unjust and unreasonable, and it would make a bad Precedent. Therefore it was put to vote, and past in the negative.

At an Adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting, held on the Last Monday in June, being the 26th day 1786.

Noted

that there be one Grammar schoolmaster for the Town this present year, and to be procured by the Selectmen of said Town. William Tallman, Benjamin Taber, Joseph Auster, Abraham Smith and Abraham Russell chosen overseers of the work house. This meeting is Adjourn'd to the Last Monday in August next at two o'clock in the afternoon.

omitted. John Shearman chosen Surveyor of Wood.

Matthew Howland chosen Surveyor of Lumber, and Carlland Badcock chosen Surveyor of Lumber.

The Town meet the last Monday of August Aug. 28: 1786. being the 28th of 2^d month. 1786 and choose Simeon Leace Benj^r Badcock & Edward Glade Surveyors of highway and thus Adjourn'd to the second Monday of October next.

Oct: 1786 The Town meet on the second Monday of October 1786. and further Adjourn^d to the last Monday in November, and the Town meet according to Adjournment.

May 21: 1786 Bristol ss: To either of the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth Greeting.
In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts. You are Required to Notify and warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town, that are Qualified by Law to vote in Town meetings, to meet Together at the Town house in said Town, on Thursday the eighteenth Day of May, next at ten of the Clock in the forenoon, to act on a request of a number of the Inhabitants of said Town which is as follows, (viz) to see if said Town will instruct their Representative to use his Influence in the General Court to get an emission of Paper money, or adopt some method, to ease the People, that may be thought best, in their distress, and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon unto the Town clerk of said Town on or before the time appointed for said meeting. Given under our hands & seal at Dartmouth this second of May A.D. 1786.

Ebenezer Willie } Selectmen
Henry Smith } of
William Almy } Dartmouth

Bristol ss. Dartmouth. May the 18th day 1786.
By Virtue of this Warrant to me Directed I have Notified the Town as the Law Directs for me Joseph Demon Constable.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Dartmouth, Gentlemen:

We the subscribers Freeholders in said Town Do hereby Request that you would Grant a Warrant for calling the Town of Dartmouth Together as soon as conveniently may be to know whether said Town, will vote off Accuichmet Village to be Incorporated into a separate Town. Dartmouth Septe 27th 1786.
John Chaffie Jereh Willie Manasseh Kempton, Leisha Crushman, William Blaghorn, Jereh Swift, Jonathan Hathaway, Calvin Delano, Barnabai Bayant, John Barrick & Joseph Kempton. Requesters.

seal Bristol ss: Common Wealth of Massachusetts, Sept 27: 1786
Dartmouth of: 27th A.D. 1786.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth: There are to Require you in the name of said Common Wealth, that you Notify and warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants that are Qualified by Law to vote in Town meetings, to meet and assemble together, at the Town house in said Dartmouth on the ninth day of October next at Ten of the Clock in the forenoon, on said day they to act and Do what said meeting may think proper: Respecting a Request to us directed for the Inlargement of Jonathan Tucker who is now confined in Prison for Taxes.

They to Know wheather said Town will vote off Accuichmet Village to be Incorporated into a separate Town.

And make return of this warrant, with your Doings to the clerk of said Town, at or before the day of said meeting.
Given under our hands and seal in Dartmouth, the Twenty seventh day of September A.D. 1786.

Ebenezer Willie Henry Smith
Selectmen of Dartmouth.

Bristol ss: October 4th 1786.
By Vertue of this Warrant I have Worned the
Town by Posting up Notifications in the several
Districts
for me Daniel Howland Jus. Constable.

Oct. 9: 1786 At a Town meeting held at the Town House
in Dartmouth on the ninth day of October 1786.
Jabez Barker chosen Moderator for said meeting.
then look into consideration the first Article
in the Warrant. Respecting Jonathan Tucker.
Liberation and after a full Debate they
Voted

against his being Liberated.

The Town look into consideration the second
Article in the Warrant for balling this meeting,
and after a Large Debate thereon it was put to
Vote and there was one hundred & eighty one
voted against Dividing said Town, without
any contradiction.

Oct. 17: 1786 ^{Seal} Bristol ss: Commonwealth of Massachusetts:
To either of the Constables of the Town of Dart-
mouth. There are to require you in the name
of the Common Wealth to notify and Warn all the
Freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town
that are Qualified by Law to vote in Town
meetings. that they meet and assemble together
at the Town house in said Dartmouth on the
Twenty seventh day of October Instant, at Ten
of the clock in the forenoon on said day, then
and there to act and Do what said Town may
think proper Relative to an order of the General
Court Respecting of Accuishment Village being

Incorporated into a separate Town.
and make Returns of this Warrant with your
Doings into the book of said Town at or before
the day of said meeting.
Given under our hands & seal at Dartmouth
this seventeenth day of October A.D. 1786.
Ebenezer Willie } Selectmen of
Henry Smith } Dartmouth.

Bristol ss: by Vertue of this Warrant I have
Worned the Town by Posting Notifications
in the several Districts.
for me Daniel Howland Constable.
October 26th A.D. 1786.

Oct. 27: 1786 At a Legal Town meeting held at the Town
house in Dartmouth, on the 27th day of October
A.D. 1786.

Jabez Barker chosen Moderator for said meeting.
the Town made choice of Jethro Hathaway
Stephen Peckcom William Tallman Holder Docum.
& Benjⁿ Skinner to Draw up an Answer to the
Petition preferred to the General Court by a number
of the Inhabitants of Accuishment Village Praying
to be set off into a separate Town, who Reported
an answer by way of Petition which was Read
and amended and ordered to be Drawn into a
Fair Draft, and be preferred to the General Court
by agents chosen at said meeting.
Jethro Hathaway and Samuel Sprague Esq^r. are
chosen agents in Behalf of said Town, to prefer
the Petition of said Town, in answer to the
Petition the Town is sighted by the General
Court to make answer to.

May 2: 1786 Bristol ss. to either of the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth Greeting.
 in the name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you are required to Notify and warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town (Disqualified by Law to vote in Town meetings to meet together at the Town house in said Town on Thursday the eighteenth day of May next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act on a request of a number of the Inhabitants of said Town, which is as follows (viz) to see if said Town will instruct their Representative to use his influence in the General Court to get an emission of paper money or adopt some other method to ease the people, that may be thought best, in their present Distress, and

make return of this warrant with your doings thereon unto the Town clerk of said Town on or before the time appointed for said meeting. Given under our hands & seal at Dartmouth this second day of May A.D. 1786.

Ebenezer Willis	} Selectmen of Dartmouth.
Henry Smith &	
William Army	

Bristol ss. Dartmouth May 18th day 1786.
 by Vertue of this warrant to me Directed I have notified the Town as the law Directs.
 for me Joseph Demons Constable.

To the Selectmen of Dartmouth. Gentlemen -
 We the Subscribers being apprized of the unhappy commotions that have taken place in our Common Wealth, and desirous to contribute as much as in us lies towards the Restoration of peace and good order, and prevent the effusion of human blood, for these and many

other reasons, appertaining on our minds we do hereby request that a Town meeting may be called as soon as may be, to see if said Town will prepare and forward a petition to the General Court praying -
 for such things as a Town may think most conducive to the Publick good & for the general Peace, good order & tranquillity of the Town, & of the people of this Common Wealth.

Dartm: February 20th 1787.

Isaac Pope	Job June
Isaac Vincent	Silas Sweet
Edward Bennett	Chillingworth Forster
John Shepherd	John Sanford
Simpson Russell	Deleg. Sanford
David Smith	Paul Hlocum
+ Holder Hlocum. Requesters.	

[Seal] Bristol ss. Commonwealth of Massachusetts Aug. 11: 1786
 Dartmouth August 11th A.D. 1786.

to either of the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth. Thus are to Require you in the name of the Commonwealth, that you notify and warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants that are Qualified by law to vote in Town meetings to meet and assemble together at the Town house in said Dartmouth on the Twenty eight day of this Instant August at Two at the clock in the afternoon, then and there to act and do at said meeting on a request to us directed signed by ten or more sufficient freeholders of said town respecting the report of the Towns Committee, that was to join the County Committee held at Taunton the eighteenth day of July last, and
 Make return of this warrant with your doings to the clerk of said Town at or before the day of said meeting.

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Given under our hands and seal, in Dartmouth
this seventh day of August. A.D. 1786.

Ebenezer Willis	} Selectmen of Dartmouth
Henry Smith	
William Almy	

Bristol August 25th A.D. 1786.

By virtue of the within warrant I have earned
the Town by posting up notifications in the
several Districts.

for me Daniel Howland Constable

Aug. 28: 1786.

At a Legal Town meeting held at the Town
house in Dartmouth the 28th day of August,
1786.

To the Honourable Town of Dartmouth in the
Commonwealth of the Massachusetts.
The Petition of us the subscribers and Inhabitants
in Acosset Village in the Town of Westport,
Humbly sheweth That whereas Acosset Village
is incorporated into a Town by the name of
Westport, and in that Bill all the Inhabitants
are holden to pay their proportions of the rears
of back taxes and as we have a mind to belong
to the Town of Dartmouth we humbly pray,
that you will call your Town together and
see if they will vote that we may be clear of
your back rears of Taxes and also not to
call upon us to mend your highways as it is
a large Distance for many of us to come, and if
that vote is obtained we shall come unanimously
and your petitioners in duty bound shall ever
pray,

John Cornell. Elipah Allen. Benj^r Wilcox.
David Wing. Prince Wing. Joseph Wing.
Edward Wing. Robert Wood. Ebenezer Allen.
Henry Howland. Prince Howland. Thomas Cornell.

Abner Wilcox. Ariah Howland, George Tibbets,
Jonathan Lison, Henry Tibbits, Samuel Lison,
Job Lison. Samuel Howland, William Lison,
Walter Davis, Wesson Howland, John Davis, Isaac
George Lison, Richard Lison, Edward King, Jos
Jonathan Tallman, & his mark. William Wilcox,
Ginothy Bifford, Nathaniel Bifford, Daniel Bifford
William Allen, Thomas Brownell, Joshua Earl,
Jehro Boul. Job Davis jun^r, John Davis.
Philip Lison, James Lison, Daniel Lison,
Philip Howland, Isaac Tripp, Isaac Howland,
Leahia Cornell, John Leuff. John Cornell.

At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth September the fifteenth day
1787.

Hadwin Moom chosen Moderator for said
meeting.

Noted.

That the Prayer of the Petition of a num-
ber of the Inhabitants of Westport, be granted.

Seal Bristol ss: To either of the Constables of the March 6: 1787
Town of Dartmouth. Greeting.

In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massa-
chusetts, you are Required to Notify and Warn all
the free holders and other Inhabitants of sd Town
that are Qualified by Law to vote in Town
Meetings to meet Together at the Town house
in sd on Tuesday the Twentieth Day of this
Instant, at Ten of the clock in the forenoon
on sd Day then and there to act on the partic-
ulars Hereafter mentioned.

1^{ly} To choose Town officers for the year ensuing
as the Law Directs.

2^{ly} To conclude by vote what number of school
masters there shall be Provided for the
year ensuing at the charge of sd Town.

- 3ly. to choose a Committee to Receive and settle Accounts with those that have Demands on against sd Town.
Also to settle with the town treasurer for the year one Thousand Seven Hundred eighty six.
- 4ly. to Receive Returns of highways and Town Landings Laid out or altered by the Select men. for the Town to allow or disallow, in Order that they may be of Record.
- 5ly. to conclude by vote what sum of money shall be raised by way of Tax for the ensuing year, within said Town.
- 6ly. to see if said Town will vote to mend and keep in repair the public roads in sd Town by way of Tax, or any other way, as said Town shall think proper.
- 7ly. for the Town to consider and vote that part of Acwasset village that is not provided with a collector shall draw their portions out of the Town treasury for collecting.
- 8ly. to choose a Committee to join the Committee of New Bedford to settle the affairs of said Town, agreeable to the Act of the General Court incorporating of said Town.
- 9ly. to choose a County Treasurer, for the year ensuing.

And make return of this Warrant and your doings unto the Clerk of said Town, at or before the day of said meeting.

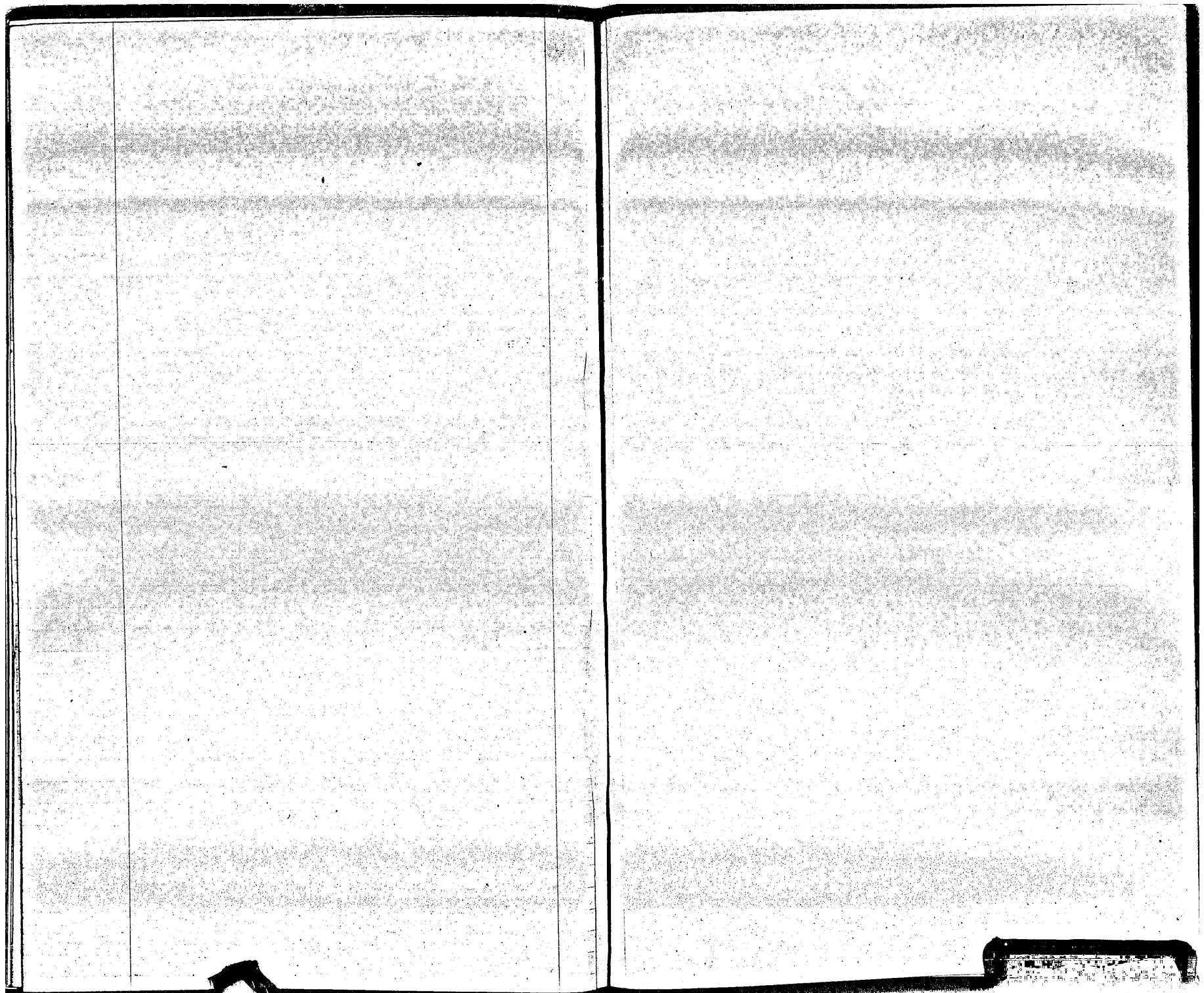
Given under our hands at Dartmouth this sixth day of March A. D. 1787.

William Almy }
Henry Smith } Selectmen of
Dartmouth

Witness ss March 20th day 1787.

by Notice of this Warrant I have notified the Town as usual by posting up Notifications in several parts of said Town.

For me Benjamin Howland Constable.



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